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Applicant

Nobuyuki Sugimura et al.

For

ACCUMULATOR USING INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL THREADS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as translated as follows prior to entering the National Stage.

Amendments to the title begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 9 of this paper.

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In the Title:

Please replace the title with the following amended title:

INTERNAL THREAD AND ACCUMULATOR USING THE SAME INTERNAL

AND EXTERNAL THREADS